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5. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and gave him a copy of the FY 73 budget book. Mr. Preston noted that as soon as he can get through it, he will have to see about scheduling a day for himself and Bill Woodruff, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, to visit the Agency.

I reviewed with him the GAO report to the Kennedy Refugee Subcommittee, "Follow-up Review of Civilian Health and War-Related Casualty Program in Laos." Mr. Preston thanked me for bringing it to his attention and said he would try to get a copy of the report for the Appropriations Committee with regard to the pending Special Committee hearings on the community budget. Mr. Preston told me that Secretary Laird had called him and asked that Dr. Albert C. Hall, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence), be scheduled for a meeting with the special Central Intelligence Agency Subcommittee that he (Secretary Laird) feels that such a meeting would be most helpful. Mr. Preston responded that such a meeting would be scheduled. [redacted] has been advised. 25X1A

6. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and asked whether his reference to Senator Symington's pressing for further hearings on Laos meant that the Agency might be called up on this subject. Braswell said he thought this unlikely and that probably State would be called up. He said there was no chance of the Director being called to testify this week on the Agency budget, but it was remotely possible that the DDCI confirmation might come up Thursday. 25X1A

7. (Confidential - JMM) Met with [redacted] and discussed his proposed testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on the Cooper bill, S. 2224. See Memorandum for the Record. 25X1A

8. (Confidential - RJK) Delivered to Winslow Wheeler, on the staff of Senator Jacob Javits (R., N. Y.), [redacted] which he had requested. 25X1A

9. (Unclassified - RJK) Delivered to Mr. Fearing, on the staff of Senator Marlow W. Cook (R., Ky.), a China Atlas which he had requested for the Senator's use. [redacted] 25X1A

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